Care in the Balance
A UNISON seminar for nurses

Speakers
Andy Burnham MP
Shadow Health Secretary

Gail Adams
UNISON Head of Nursing

Colin Hont
Deputy Director of Nursing and Governance, Lancashire Care NHS Foundation Trust
(in a personal capacity)

Friday 8 February 2013
6-8pm
6pm drinks reception
Speeches start 6.30pm prompt

Liverpool Medical Institution,
114 Mount Pleasant,
Liverpool L3 5SR

UNISON: caring for nurses while you care for patients

Our NHS Our Future
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As nursing numbers drop and the media criticises our profession as uncaring, what is life really like for nurses in the North West in 2013? Can you deliver safe, compassionate dignified care every day, every shift?

A recent survey by UNISON found that less than 10% of nurses said they could deliver safe, dignified, compassionate care all the time. In spite of Tory claims that the NHS is safe in their hands, only 8% of nurses say patient care has improved in the last 12 months. Our survey of over 3,000 nurses also revealed that the NHS has been plunged into peril by a rise in the number of patients, a fall in the number of staff and the damaging impact of government cuts. The major barriers to delivering top quality patient care are staffing levels, unreasonable workloads, stress and service cuts.

Not surprisingly given two years of frozen pay, a rise in pensions contributions and professional fees as well as regular criticism from the Tory-led coalition, only 4% of nurses feel respected by the government.

This event will highlight the value of nurses and their commitment to caring for patients.

Come along to this seminar and meet our network of representatives and officials who can offer expert advice on all issues that affect you in your workplace.

Tickets are free for UNISON members (£5 if you are a member of another trade union or £10 for non trade union members).

Tickets are available on a first come first served basis so book your ticket now to avoid disappointment!

Complete the slip below and hand it to your local UNISON rep or email r.lumberg@unison.co.uk to request a ticket.

We will confirm your attendance via email or telephone a week before the event.

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